# THE POLYNESIAN.

peated with all formality in the House of Representatives during this week, and strange as the infatuation may appear, the Bills intended to effect the desired object were actually passed, though by very small majorities. We were not fortunate enough to hear the arguments, but being within half-a-mile of the Chamber whilst the discussion half-a-mile of the Chamber whilst the discussion in the Resolution for t half-a-mile of the Chamber whilst the discussion and was ordered to be engrossed. The House then went was in progress, of course we heard the noise. into com. upon Mr. Webster's act to amend the Estray Messrs. Kamakau and Ukske spoke out on the oc- Law. Sections 1st, 2nd and 3rd were read and passed Messrs. Kamakau and Ukeke spoke out on the oc-upon, when the com, rose and asked leave to sit again casion, in every sense of the word. The latter on Monday. The Joint Resolution appropriating \$4,000 gentleman, we understand, took the high ground for the expenses of the Legislature having been engrossgentleman, we understand, took the high ground that natives ought to be allowed to keep dogs to hunt down their domestic fowls when wanted for rulinary purposes. Is it possible that pullets passage of the Liquor License Bill for Lahaina. On caught in that way have something of a gamey flamotion of Maikai, laid on the table. Mr. Kamakau General—no less a one than Casar—to "cry Mr. McCoughtry, the Registrar of Public Accounts, Havoe! and let loose the Dogs of War." What praying that his salary be raised from \$2,000 to \$2,500, the relief of dogs came near passing the Upper while the duties of his office were much more arduous. House also. But the names of the Nobles who those of the clerks of the other departments, still he revoted for it are on record. We should not have ceived the same pay. On motion of Kalama, this peti-been surprised had we received from those unfortu-

House of Nobles.

THIRTY-FIRST DAY-May 10th .- Prayer. Minutes read and confirmed, The Act to amend an act to regued it was read for the second time and passed; and having been read for the third time also, it passed finally. The Report of the Committee upon the Act for the suppression of the sale of Brandied Fruits, Beer, Cider, Ale, Porter, and other substances of like nature to natives, was taken up and discussed at great length. The Report was finally remitted with instructions to prepare a bill embodying its principles. A message was read transmitting a Joint Resolution to set apart \$4,000 more to meet the current expenses of the Legislature till the general Bill of Appropriations should be passed. On the motion of Prince Kamehameha, seconded by Gov. Nahaolelua, the consideration of the Joint Resolution was indefinitely postponed. The House then adjourned THIRTY-SECOND DAY-May 12th .- Prayer. Minutes read. On the motion of Mr. Wyllie it was-

Resolved. That the House unanimously adopt as their own the following resolution passed by the King's Privy Council on the 17th Sept., 1855, viz:

of the diplomatic course pursued by Mr. Lee at Wash-

Resolve, That Mr. Lee deserves the thanks of the Hawaiian Nation for the benefits conferred upon it by his sealous and successful services abroad.

Resolved, That the President pass officially to Mr. Lee a copy of the above Resolution. The House then adjourned.

THIRTY-THIRD DAY - May 13th .- Prayers. Minutes read. A petition was presented on the part of 11 in- kai, Kalama, Richardson, Nampaakai, and Kamakau.

habitants of Honolulu, praying for the enactment of Adjourned. certain laws. The petition was ordered for translation. The House then adjourned till to-morrow 12 o'clock M. THIRTY-FOURTH DAY-May 14th .- Prayer. Minutes read. There being no business to transact the House

ting an Act respecting the tax upon horses, mules and asses; also an Act to reduce the tax upon Dogs; also an Act relating to Stallions. The Act respecting the Tax upon Horses, etc., was read for the first time, and on the motion of Prince Kamehameha, seconded by Mr. Wyllie, it was rejected by the House. The Act to reduce the Tax upon Dogs was then read for the first time, and on the motion of Gov. Kekuanaoa, seconded by Mr. Allen. it was rejected. On the motion of Prince Kamehameha the votes were recorded. For the Bill, Messrs. Kaco, Kapaakea, Kanoa, Piikoi and Haalelea. Against the Bill, Prince Kamehameha, Messrs. Allen. Wyllie, Kekuanaoa and Kapeau. There being a tie, the President ero tem, Gov. Nahaolelua, declared against the Bill, and so de it the dogs' fate, Honor to whom honor is due : let each Agricultural Society present the Governor with a gold me lat. The Act relating to Stallions was read for the first time and passed. On the motion of Mr. Wyllie the House went into Committee of the Whole and the Bill was read by its sections. The Committee rose and reported, and the Bill passed the House on its second reading. The Rules having been suspended, the paakes and Kaco. The House then adjourned.

THIRTY-SIXTH DAY- May 16th .- Prayer. Minutes read and confirmed. Mr. Wyllie of the Committee on utes. Prayer. Mr. Bartow from the Committee on the petition of 11 inhabitants of Honolulu reported, and Education made a report upon many petitions and subthe House accepted his report. A message was read jects which had been referred to them for consideration, transmitting an Act to allow certain divorced persons to which report on motion of Mr. Richardson was ordered marry again, and giving notice of the concurrence of for publication. In accordance with a suggestion of the the House of Representatives in the Opium Bill. The Committee, the Members of Maui and Molokai were ap-Bill allowing diverced persons to marry was read for pointed a Select Committee to wait upon the Minister of the first time. The Rules having been suspended it was the Interior and in the name of the House of Represenread for the second time, amended and passed. The tatives, recommend that hereafter no licenses be granted till Monday the 19th instant at 12 o'clock M.

vor! After receiving this bint that the miserable, presented a petition from Hilo praying that they might Richardson referred the Bill to a Select Committee, of must prevail and the law fall to the ground; and if we must prevail and the law fall to the ground; and the law fall to th vor! After receiving this hint that the miserable, skulking curs are animals kept to wage war with, we understand better upon what principle they have a Hawaiian Judge at Hilo: referred to the Com. on Judiciary, Mr. Barwe understand better upon what principle they have a disconstruction of the Hotel-keepers and been allowed, when not required by their masters, to go out foraging amongst the lambs of the neighborhood; for was it not a maxim of Napoleon; borhood; for was it not a maxim of Napoleon and the Hotel-keepers and the House in Committee of the whole upon goods imported by Freden vest that the Appropriation in saying that we could do otherwise than sels, ought not to exceed those imposed upon goods from the Hotel-keepers and sels, ought not to exceed those imposed upon goods from the Appropriation Bill for the years 1856 and 1857; some of the merchants of Honolulu, against the granting of the most favored nation.

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still fall in with some one who has not heard of—

The A letter from Panama of the 29th of March, states that the English and French Admirals have sent ships to Punta Arenas, to protect it against Walker, who has threatened a descent upon that city. The President is now at that port, and the Hacannah is on her way to relieve her.

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Kupakee presented a petition from the police of Lahaina in relation to their pay: referred to the Com. on Claims, Mr. Richardson reported from the Com. on Judiciary, that the Legislative and Judicial powers, or either of the missing in relation to their pay: referred to the Com. on Judiciary, Mr. Richardson reported from the Com. and content of the other departments, besides his from a voic in either of the other departments, besides his way one man or hody of men. I do not understand this Arrichary, Mr. Richardson reported from the Com. on Judiciary, Mr. Richardson reported from the Com. on Judiciary, Mr. Richardson reported from the Com. and Legislative powers, or either of the Com. In the Legislative and Judicial powers of the United States and French Admirals have a scalable from the Legislative and Judiciary, Mr. Richardson reported from the Com. on Judiciary, Mr. Richardson reported from the Com. on Judiciary, Mr. Richardson reported from the Com.

on Wednesday. ORDERS OF THE DAY .- The House went into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to amend meaning is, that the whole power of one the Law of Estrays. One section was read, when the and referred the Bill to a Select Committee, to consist the Constitution; so, also it the Legislature should call indiof Messrs, Kalama, Kamakau and Richardson, Ad-

restrictions on fish, having amended the same, and recommended that the bill be submitted to the Committee House of Representatives, still the case is the same, as he can of the House: report accepted and the bill referred. Bill to reduce the tax on horses, mules and donkeys. On motion of Kamaipelekane the Rules were suspended and the Bill read the second time by its title and made a special order for to-day in Committee of the Whole is considered a vital and fundamental maxim of Government. House, Orders of the Day.—The House went into Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to reduce the Commons; there, the Lord High Chancellor presides over the and the Bill read the second time by its title and made Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to reduce the It has pleased the King and Council fully to approve horse tax; Keawehano in the Chair. The sections were read and passed and the Bill ordered to be engrossed for third reading to-morrow. The House again went into ington, on all points and in all particulars; and they a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to reduce the Dog Tax to 25 cents; Naihe in the Chair. The sections were read and discussed and the Bill ordered to be engressed for to-merrow. The House went into Committee of the Whole upon Kerwehano's Bill to exempt from and the United States, as well as in this Country, forms an taxation the animals of widows, unmarried females, orphan children and aged persons; Mr. Kamai in the passed except by his assent. He possesses the prerogative of phan children and aged persons; Mr. Kamai in the Committee of the Whole upon the Act relating to Stallions, and after a long discussion referred it for amendment to a Sciect Committee consisting of Messrs, Maj-

Minutes read and approved. Prayer. Mr. Richardson from the Committee on Judiciary reported the Bill referred to them-to enforce the performance of the duties Maikai from a Select Committee reported the Stallion of intention to introduce a Bill to make the port of Ka- is not only an Article similar to the 23rd Article of our Conhana a port of entry. Mr. Kahookano introduced a lie Improvements, who have now two bills relating to the same subject. ORDERS OF THE DAY .- The Bill relating to the Horse Tax, also the Bill to reduce the Dog Tax, and also the Bill relating to Stallions were read the third time and passed. The House then went into a Committee upon the amendment of the Opium Bill, made by the House of Nobles; G. Barenaba in the Chuir. The excluding Judges from the House of Representatives. amendment was read and concurred in. The House then went into Committee upon the Appropriations Bill for 1856 and 1857; Mr. Kapihe in the Chair. The appropriations for the civil list were read and passed upon. Also the appropriations for the Department of the Chair than the James of the perform well the duties of Legislators, Judges ough: not to be excluded. The Article was accordingly stricken out. This clearly demonstrates what was then went into Committee upon the Appropriation Bill for 1856 and 1857; Mr. Kapihe in the Chair. The Bill was read for the third time and passed finally. The the Interior as far as to the salaries of the Governor's petition of 11 inhabitants of Honolulu for more laws, having been translated, was read in English and refer-

THIRTY-FIFTH DAY-May 15th .- Met at 12 M. Min-Rules having been again suspended it was read for the ed for the establishment of theatres or circuses in Lathird time and passed finally. The House then adjourn- hains, and also that should application be made for permission to open another circus in Honolulu, it should be made to pay a heavier license. Capt. Cummings from the Committee on Commerce reported to lay upon the table the petition for opening the port of Kalacka, TRIETT-FIRST DAY, May 10th.-Met at 10 A.M. on Molokai, and also the petition for an appropriation Minutes: prayer. Mr. Marshall, from the Committee on Finance, offered two amendments to the Appropriation Bill now before the House, being slight corrections of two balances due Justices from last year; sideration of the appropriation for an appropriation for an appropriation for an appropriation of Melchers & Co., of Honolulu, to recover from the factory reason for changing an opinion formed upon defendant, the Collector General of Customs, the sum brought from a French possession, are not subject to a defendant, the Collector General of Customs, the sum brought from a French possession, are not subject to a of two thousand on hundred and forty-one 8-100 dolling to two thousand in this case, and more satis for an appropriation for an appropriation of Melchers & Co., of Honolulu, to recover from the defendant, the Collector General of Customs, the sum of two thousand on hundred and forty-one 8-100 dolling to the sessions continued without interruption of two thousand on hundred and forty-one 8-100 dolling to reason for changing an opinion formed upon due deliberation, than the mere fact, that a contrary of two thousand on hundred and forty-one 8-100 dolling to the sessions continued without interruption of two thousand on hundred and re-iterated, by any man whomsoever. rections of two balances due Justices from last year: amendment accepted. Mr. Richardson, from the Committee on Judiciary, to provide for granting permits to marry to parties having been divorced. On motion of Mr. Richardson, this Bill was referred to a Select Commotive reported the Appropriation for an anchor for Waianarry to parties having been divorced. On motion of Mr. Richardson, this Bill was referred to a Select Commotive reported the Act to permit certain persons of which the Speaker to be the chairman. The other members appointed were Messrs. Bartow, Maikai, port adonted Mr. Robertson and recommendation of the appropriation for an anchor for Waianament accepted. Mr. Richardson, from the Committee of the House upon the Appropriation of the Appropriation for an anchor for Waianament accepted. Mr. Robertson from a Select to the Committee of the House upon the Appropriation Bill. Mr. Robertson from a Select paid by the plaintiffs at that date, under protest, on certain persons the plaintiffs at that date, under protest, on certain goods imported by them in the Danish ship Asa that date, under protest, on certain goods imported by them in the Danish ship Asa that date, under protest, on certain goods imported by them in the Danish ship Asa that date, under protest, on certain goods imported by them in the Danish ship Asa that date, under protest, on certain goods imported by them in the Danish ship Asa that date, under protest, on certain goods imported by them in the Danish ship Asa that date, under protest, on certain goods imported by them in the Danish ship Asa that date, under protest, on certain goods imported by the plaintiffs at that date, under protest, on certain goods imported by the defendant, on the duties of ten per cent made by the defendant, on the duties of the Appropriation Bill. Mr. Robertson from a Select to the Committee of the House upon the Act to permit the Appropriation Bill. Mr. Robertson from a Select to the Committee of the House upon the plaintiffs at that date, under the plaint members appointed were Messrs. Bartow, Maikai, port adopted. Mr. Robertson again reported from a Richardson, and Kamakau. Mr. Bartow, from the Select Committee the Estray Law amended by the Comfacts, to the decision of the court.

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provide for making Kahana a port of entry, and for the appointment of a Collector of Customs for said port, which on motion of Kamai was indefinitely postponed. The same gentleman next introduced his Bill to prevent the appointment of District Lexicol to a provide for making Kahana a port of entry, and for the ships, inasmuch as by the 7th article of the Danish all a new sentence, including a new sense, and corresponding for instance, to goods of foreign origin.

"I shall prove, in a moment, that the French government of District Lexicol to a higher duty than that imposed on goods of the most favored nation; and that imposed on goods of the most favored nation; and that imposed on goods of the privilege and the extension of the article of the Danish all a new sentence, including a new sense, and corresponding for instance, to goods of foreign origin.

"I shall prove, in a moment, that the French government did not entertain the thought of stipulating in the consequence and the extension of the article of the Danish all a new sentence, including a new sense, and corresponding for instance, to goods of foreign origin. the appointment of District Justices to the officee of Tax as French goods of a like character are not subject to a 1846, the extension to foreign goods, of the privilege ob-

The following is the opinion of Chief Justice Lee upon the

Honolulu, May Ist, 1856. | Gentlemen: -I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt our letter, of the 28th ultimo, informing me, that thirteen ie residents of Honolulu had petitioned the House of Rep-

tion was referred to the com. of the House, when the Appropriation Bill shall be under consideration. Mr. Kalama presented a petition from Waialua, praying that the Legislature make an appropriation for an anchor and buoy for the harbor of Waialua: referred to the Com. on Public Improvements. Kalama presented in anchor and buoy for the harbor of Waialua: referred to the com. of the House, when the Appropriation Bill shall be under consideration. Mr. Kalama presented a petition from Waialua, praying that the Legislature make an appropriation for an anchor and buoy for the harbor of Waialua: referred to the com. of the House, when the Appropriations. Bill shall be under consideration. Mr. Kalama presented a petition from Waialua; praying that the Legislature and Judicial powers of the Kingdom, in its exercise, is divided into the Executive, Legislative and Judicial; these are to be sented a petition from Waianae, praying that the school-to the Com. on Public Improvements. Kalama presented in anchor and buoy for the harbor of Waialua: referred to the Com. on Public Improvements. Kalama presented in anchor and buoy for the harbor of Waialua: referred to the Com. on Public Improvements. Kalama presented in anchor and buoy for the harbor of Waialua: referred to the Com. on Public Improvements. Kalama presented in anchor and buoy for the harbor of Waialua: referred to the Com. on Public Improvements. Kalama presented in anchor and buoy for the harbor of Waialua: referred to the Com. on Public Improvements. Kalama presented in the Legislative and Judicial powers of the Kingdom in its exercise, is divided in the House of the Kalama presented in anchor and buoy for the harbor of Waialua: referred to the Com. on Public Improvements. Kalama presented in anchor and buoy for the harbor of Waialua: referred to the Com. on Public Improvements. Kalama presented in anchor and buoy for the Public Improvements. Kalama presented in the Legislatives.

In my opinion, the true meaning of this Article is, that the Executive Legislative

again introduced a bill relating to district judges: sent to the translator. Mr. Robertson introduced a Bill of Garnishee; rules were suspended, the bill was read the second time and referred to the Committee of the House on Wednesday. Orders of the Day.—The House went one on wednesday. Orders of the Day.—The House went one on pon the other, in the slightest degree. The true one on pon the other, in the slightest degree. The true of t

utes read and approved. Prayer. Mr. Naiapaakai cause he alone cannot frame or enact laws; he has but a sin from a Select Committee reported the Bill to remove the

your obedient servant. (Signed,) WILLIAM L. LEE

HON. JOHN RICHARDSON. P. BARENARA. J. F. R. MARSHALL.

## SUPREME COURT.

Melchers & Co. rs. Warren Goodale, Col. Gen. of though the port of Hong Kong is a port in China, it For my part, while I humbly disclaim all prete

The appointment of District Justices to the office of Tax as French goods of a like character are not subject to a light content of District Justices to the office of the Collector of Enumerator: referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Onders of the Day.—The Bill relating to be content of the Collector of Enumerator: referred to the Committee on higher duty than five per cent ad valorem, consequent as french goods. A single exception to toring goods, of the privacy of the privacy of French goods. A single exception to toring goods, of the privacy of the p Bill, read and passed the first section, then on motion of ture comes in direct conflict with a treaty, the latter useless to repeat it.

ing words, viz: question, as to whether the Constitution does or does not ex-clude a Judge of the Surreme Court from a seat in the House at indfores, eibeller, deefer, betale, mere and sandanne at indfores, eiheller derfor betale mere end saadanne sels. Toldafgifter, som i saadant Tilfælde ere paalagte den meest begunstigede Nation. Enhver Forandring i Toldafgisterne, maa ikke fuldbyrdes eller sættes i Kraft forend des possesstons Françaises," to read, French merchan-

of undoubted ability, and confirmed by others acquainted with the Danish language, reads as follows:

"No Danish products or other goods on board of or imported, nor therefor pay more than such duties as in similar circumstances are levied on the most favored nation. No change in duties may be effected or put in fees, should be borne by the Hawatian Government. force before twelve calendar months after the first publie notification of such change."

This careful translation of the Article in Danish throws a flood of light on the subject, and to our minds conclusively establishes the position contended for on behalf of the Hawaiian Government, namely, that it never was its intention to place Denmark on a higher footing than that of the most favored nation. The clear and obvious meaning of the article, as it reads in the Danish language is, that no Danish productions, or any other goods, on board of or imported in Danish ships, shall pay more than the like goods when imported in the ships of the most favored nation, under similar circumstances; and, if instead of being confined to the English versy could have arisen. The intention of the two governments is so obvious from a reading of the article in the Danish language, that every effort to illustrate it,

But the plaintiffs may say we choose to go by the English version of the article, which is in conflict with the point in the argument of the learned counsel for the de-Danish, and how will you reconcile them? Our answer fendant. I understood him as contending, that the quire into the circumstances of the Hawaiian Govern-Majesty's Ship "Galathea," arrived at Honolulu, and upon it by the treaties with France and Great Britain. privileges of an independent sovereignty. His object was not to impose upon us new restrictions, but to release us from those which already enchained us, and all that he asked or stipulated for, was, that Danish subjects in the Sandwich Islands, should enjoy the same rights and privileges as were granted to subjects of the most favored nation. His was a mission of kindness, generosity and benevolence, and would it be just or reason-The occasional mixture of each with the others, and a mu-tual dependence of each upon the others, is as necessary as it is unavoidable. The Chief Executive Magistrate in England, and his own words show an intention the very reverse.

Again, is it reasonable to suppose that the Hawaiian by treaty stipulations, would willingly, and unasked chair. The Bill was read and on motion of Nainpankai in England, the Senate, in the United States, and the House of Lords, in England, the Senate, in the United States, and the House of Lords it be supposed for a moment that the Hawaiian negoti-THIRTY-FOURTH DAY - May 14th. - Met at 12 M. to be kept totally distinct, then, all Executive as well as Judi-dinutes read and approved. Prayer. Mr. Richardson cial officers should be excluded from the House of Bepresenta-tempretation that leads to an absurdity ought to be reing which places Denmark on the footing of the most with reason and equity, and every thing tending to place the parties on a footing of equality, is looked upon favorably by the law of nations. "The voice of equity the parties should be equal. We are not to presume, mon advantage. If, therefore, it happens that the contracting parties have not made known their will with for that will in the sense most favorable to equality and the common advantage, than to suppose it in the conhe who aims at obtaining an advantage." Vattel's Law

> since, that I am aware of, until the last regular session of your Honorable Body, it seems to me quite conclusive upon the goods like those imported from Honorable Rong in the day. goods like those imported from Hong Kong, in the Asa the first principle of interpretation, as laid down by not only are able to build our own, but have comme Thor when imported in Erench ships under like cir- one of the best authorities on international Law.

o marry again, was read the third time and passed.

Adjourned.

THIRTY-SIXTH DAY—May 16th.—Met at 12 M. MinTo marry again, was read the third time and passed.

Can be imported by other foreign ships, shall be prohibited, nor pay more than those duties levied on goods of French origin, (Les marchandises one. There is no difficulty as to Nicolaieff; and Françaises) are subjected to a duty of only five per cent, we give up, without compensation, the city of Karp THE POLYNESIAN.

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"Article VII-Ingen danske Producter eller andre sively reserved for French goods, save one exception, "Article VII—Ingen danske Producter eller andre sively reserved for French goods, save one exception, the other applicable to goods of another origin, with the vary true-hearted Englishman scorned to harbor any true-hearted Englishman scorned to harbor any

The decision of the court below is over-ruled, and let judgment be entered for the defendant. Under the cognate communities, and however these word ported in Danish vessels, which are permitted to be im- reading of the English version of the Danish treaty, the might be more or less faintly echoed by some or ported in foreign vessels, which are permitted to be im- question of the amount of duties leviable in cases like this side of the water, there could be no doubt the the present, was clearly open to doubt, and therefore, all who understood anything of the extensive

I have but little to say in this case, farther than to express my entire concurrence in the decision of the court, as delivered by the Chief Justice. I sincerely rejoice that the court is now in the possession of sufficient light as to what were the real intentions of the negotiators of the treaty with Denmark, to guide us to the judgment which has now been given. While this light on all sides towards himself and his country, as he has been furnished to us by the Danish version of the Seventh Article, a comparison of that version with the with him to the United, to which he was about to English, has also made the fact still more obviously ap- return, the assurance that it was the sincere desire parent than it was before, that the latter does not con- of that important commercial community that tain apt words to inform us as to what was the mean- nothing consistent with the maintenance of our version, we had before us the translation of the article in Danish, it is hardly possible that the present controlanguage of the English version, to correspond as near- out a recourse to the dread arbitrament of the ly as possible with that of the Danish version, because sword. (Cheers.) The Lord-Mayor then conthe mercantile part of the community naturally look to the former, when they wish to ascertain what their Gillespie, and prosperity to the Canada Club." rights are, under the treaty. I have a few remarks to make in reference to one

is, that the grand object in the interpretation of a treaty, principle laid down in the judgment now under review, London News of February 20, at their residence on to the effect that treaties are to be construed by the the terrace, Picadilly, the following distinguished same rules as other instruments, is incorrect. The party: His Excellency the American Minister, his reason he gave in support of his argument does not Excellency the Netherlands Minister, the Earl and ly were the ideas of those who drew up the convention, seem to be at all applicable to his position, viz: that upand to interpret it accordingly. This, says Vattel, is
on the principle stated by me, the treaty of 1846, beBessborough, etc., etc. the general rule for all interpretations. To ascertain tween this Government and France, might be declared void, by reason of one of the contracting parties having at the time acted under compulsion. Now, it appears London Post of February 28, included her Royal to me that the question, whether or not, any given inher generous commander, Captain Steen Bille, seeing the that, for instance, as to whether any given instrument, stepped forward as our benefactor, and proposed to give the most remote bearing upon the former question, us a treaty which would leave us free to regulate our while in deciding the latter, they may be all important. Hon. B. and Mrs. Disraeli, and Sir Benj. Haves. The question raised in this case is not as to the validity proper construction of the latter. Its validity is assumed or taken for granted. The learned counsel has cited off Moor Islands to announce the renewal of the no authority to shake the principle of construction blockade of the Russian ports. adopted in the former judgment, and I feel safe in reaffirming it, as therein expressed.

I would close my remarks here, were it not that I feel compelled by a sense of duty to myself, to notice the correspondence on this subject which appears to no room for further doubt as to his aspirations. have taken place between the Minister of Foreign Relalations, and the Representatives of the three great Pow- to the choice of the Democratic National Conveners resident near this Government, shortly after the ren- tion which is to meet on May 2d at Cincinnati. I dition of the judgment now under review, which corres- have this from persons who cannot be mistaken. pondence has now been brought to the cognizance of There will be no lack of effort to give him the the Court Waiving any lengthy comment upon nomination, and, since his bold bid for Southern what I must regard as being, under the circumstances, favor, in his Kansas Report, he is visited by an Foreign Relations, inasmuch as the suit was still pending before this court, I must say that the Minister ap- propagandists than formerly. The candidates for pears to have greatly misunderstood my judgment, the Cincinnati nomination are Pierce, Buchanan when he wrote to the Representatives of Great Britain and Douglas. The first has no chance at all. His and France, that "Some of the King's Judges had friends should tell him so, and induce him to withfound the 7th article of the treaty with Denmark, of draw, while he can with some grace. I still think the 19th October 1846, altogether unintelligible, as re- Buchanan has the probabilities strongly in his favgards what other foreign ships could or could not do or, as there is no present likelihood that Pierre at that time, and as regards what duties the goods of will throw his strength or weakness on to Dougthe most favored nation, when imported into this King-dom, were at that time subjected to." So, also, he sadly misunderstood that judgment, when, after he had received the two conflicting opinions of the Representatives above mentioned, he wrote to the Commissioner of the bodied in the ticket.—[N. Y. Tribune to be, "not only a good Diplomatist, but an able and sound Lawyer," and soliciting his opinion on the subject, stating to him that, "The 7th article of the Danish treaty, in the clearest and plainest possible terms, weeks back, will be relieved, and the community puts Danish productions or other goods imported in at large gratified, by a perusal of the following Danish vessels on a par, with those of the most favored items from the California daily press. The Chie nation," gravely informed the Commissioner that, Engineer might well preserve a dignified silence. "The King's Judges have had a difficulty in comprehending how that simple rule of parity is to be applied.' This language, to say the least, seems very uncourtequa. I found no difficulty in understanding the language used in the English version of the 7th article of the of the Danish treaty, or in comprehending how the simple rule of parity was to be applied, between goods imported in Danish ships and the "goods of the most fa- ing to make some slight alteration, the machine vored nation," as the article reads. The difficulty was was detained to be shipped by the Frances Palmer. that I could find no justification either for interpolating the text, which must be done to give it the meaning Worth, of this city, has just completed a new Fire Escontended for by the Minister, or for applying extraneous means to explain, or rules to interpret, what I found It being settled then, that Denmark is placed by the to be in itself so clear and plain as the language of treaty only on a parity with the most favored nation, let that article; for, as I stated in my judgment, to interpret it a trial. Until quite recently, the Fire Companies a us inquire what are the duties legally chargeable monor or it in that manner, appeared to me a violation of San Francisco sent to New York and other eastern cure

cumstances; for, France, in respect to duties, is the na- The correspondence referred to, would seem to betray tion occupying the position most favored. To settle this an intention on the part of the Minister, to break down | manufacturing interest, and this speaks well for our perquestion, reference must be had to the French treaty, my decision, not by a fair appeal to the full court, but pie, and encouraging for the State.

The New Engine built by Wm. J. Worth, Esq., and it is admitted by France, that Chinese goods im- by a re-assertion of his own understanding of the treaty. ported in a French vessel, are subject to the duty of fif- and a zealous ex-parte effort to procure and enlist in favor teen per cent ad valorem imposed by our statute, and of his view, the opinions of outside parties. Whatever consequently, it cannot be claimed that such goods, when degree of weight opinions procured in that manner, may inch streams even and beautiful. She is a third class at the consequently. imported in a Danish ship, are entitled to admission at possess with others, they have none whatever in my estimation, so far as the proper construction of the English But, it is further contended by the plaintiffs, that version of the Danish treaty is concerned.

is not a Chinese port, but, on the contrary, a British to infallibility in judgment, I must at all times require, This is an action brought by the plaintiffs, the firm port, and that under the peculiar wording of the sixth what I have now obtained in this case, a far more satis

## FOREIGN NEWS.

cation purporting to proceed from Paris, which Dr. Hillebrand, whose report will speak for itself says that the first four points were at once decided when it shall appear before the public at the close Richardson, and Kamakan. Mr. Bartow, from the Select Committee the Estray Law amended by the Committee the Estray Law amended by the Committee the House for his distinguished services rendered to the nation while in the United States, reported having fulfilled their duty. Mr. Lee expressed his thanks to the House, and stated to the Committee to make inquiry after the Bill to restriction on planting awa, and stated to the Committee to make inquiry after the Bill to restrict the nation of the sum of the case was submitted, on those facts, to the decision of the court.

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The Independence does not enter so much into detail, but it maintains its assertion of the prelim inaries being signed, and also states that the Emperor's speech would contain the announcement about peace. This story is regarded in Paris as

quence of having accepted an invitation to dine with Her Majesty on the same evening, he was unable to attend: "The Hon. Lord-Mayor on the occasion expressed the great pleasure it would have afforded him, and he was sure that company also, to have been honored with the presence of his British nation, felt interested in the uninterrupted Sovereign of the country would necessitate his abunworthy feeling of jealousy of the greatness and prosperity of trans-Atlantic kinsfolk. On the contrary, bound together as the two peoples were by meest begunstigede Nation. Enhver Forandring: Toldalgisterne, maa ikke fuldbyrdes eller sættes i Kraft forend
tolv Calender Maaneder efter den første offentlige Bekjendtgjørelse af saadan Forandring."

This is the language of the negotiater of the treaty
on the part of Denmark, and must be taken to express
his plain intention and understanding. A literal and
critical translation of his words, as made by a scholar
of undoubted ability, and confirmed by others acquaintacross the wide ocean which separates the two perfect terms of amity were essential to their mutual welfare, and that a warfare between then would be most disastrous to both, and nothing less than a species of fratricide or parricide. (Cheers. Therefore he could have wished that Mr. Buchanan had been present that evening to hear the sentiments of friendship that would have been expressed would, in that case, have been enabled to conver

Mr. Buchanan at Lord Palmenton's Dinner. Viscount and Viscountess Palmerston entertained at dinner, on Saturday evening, says the

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Highness, the Princess Royal, the Duke and Duchess of Argyle, Mr. Buchanan, (the United States Minister,) Count Vitzhum, (the Saxon Minister.) the Earl of Eglinton, the Earl and Countres of Mount Charles, Viscount Monck, Lord Ernest Bruce, Lord and Lady Robt, Grosvener, the Right

Renewal of the blockade of the Balrie. HAMBURG, March 6 .- Admiral Watson sailed from Diel. He has ordered the fleet to assemble

Presidential Candidates

WASHINGTON, Friday, March 14, 1856. The attitude assumed by Senator Douglas leaves has proffers of support from many more Slavers

New Fire Engine.

Our correspondent " Enquirer" of two or three knowing what he did. It ought to be mentioned as another instance of good will and liberality towards this community on the part of Mesers. 6. B. Post. & Co. of San Francisco, that they offered to send the new engine here on board the Fanny Major, free of freight, but the manufacturer wish

A NEW FEATURE IN CALIFORNIA TRADE. - Mr. M. J. fine piece of workmanship, and performed to the satisfa-

this city, for Honolula, S. I., was worked by the member of Empire, No. 1. The trial was perfectly satisfactory is

place on Monday and Tuesday last. There was! good turn out of its friends on the occasion, and were no symptoms of weariness on the part of the spectators a pretty good evidence of the interest. they felt in what was passing before them.

The Emancipation Belge publishes a communi-

fulfilled their duty. Mr. Lee expressed his thanks to the House, and stated to the Com. that the President of the United States had told him that, undoubtedly, the Senate would approve the Reciprocity Treaty which has been entered into with these islands. Mr. Robertson included a Bill to amend the law to provide for preparing lists of jurors. The Bill was read the second time, and encoding of Kalama referred to the committee of the House is-day. Mr. Robertson also introduced a Bill relating to the Fire Department. The rules were suspended, the Bill result the second time, and ordered for simple of the Committee to make inquiry after the Bill was raised and also the Bill to reduce the House, and stated to the Com. that the President of the United States had told him that, undoubtedly, the Ball states had told him that, undoubtedly, the sale of beer to natives, which bills were safely the Gommissioner to the views adopted by the Commissioner to the views adopted by the Commissioner to the view and safely resort to the views adopted by the Commissioner to the view and passed to the count of the court, as follows:

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